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Convention Dates.

Republican National Convention, St. Louis, June 16.
Democratic National Convention, Chicago, July 7th.
Populist National Convention, St. Louis, July 20.
National Silver Convention, St. Louis, July 22.
Democratic state convention, to nominate a state ticket at Jefferson City, Wednesday, August 5th.
Democratic Congressional Convention for nominating candidate for congress at Osceola, on Wednesday July 29th.

The silver wave is on.

Old Virginia has fallen into line for free silver.

The republican national convention will meet in St. Louis next Tuesday.

Congress will adjourn to day, at least that is the program mapped out.

Has any one ever discovered how McKinley stands on the money question?

The republicans will just miss carrying this state by 50,000 on a gold platform.

That was an insult in the McKinley managers to ask Reed to take second place on the ticket.

The delegates to the Chicago convention will have trouble in finding hotel accommodations.

The St. Louis Star is making it uncomfortably hot for Boss Filley and his methods of running the republican party.

Helen Gould contributed ten thousand dollars to the St. Louis sufferers. The brewers association gave \$50,000.

The populists made a mistake in the day for holding their convention. There were more people in town Monday than Saturday.

That speech of Senator Vest putting Bland in nomination at Chicago will be the effort of his life. He will tripple plate that convention.

McKinley will gain the republican nomination by keeping mum on the money question, but how will it be when election time rolls around.

After the election in November the Globe Democrat will reiterate: Too much McKinleyism, too much tariff, too much nigger and too much gold did it.

North Dakota sends a solid free silver delegation to Chicago. Up to the very time of holding the convention North Dakota was claimed by the gold party.

Kentucky has settled the silver and gold controversy. Now on to Chicago, nominate Bland, and the south and west can be depended upon to do the rest in November.

The fowls of the air have nests, the foxes have holes, but the "coon" delegate to the St. Louis convention hath not where to lay his head.

The Globe-Democrat represents McKinley coming to St. Louis in the midst of a cyclone, a twister. Both are destructive to the country and in November the people will prepare their ballots to avoid a calamity.

Since Kentucky elected her national delegates the eastern papers have suddenly realized that the silver question is something more than a fad, a craze. McKinley could have given them pointers long ago for he has been sniffing the southern and western breeze.

Col. Henry Watterson has one consolation. While Kentucky was passing free silver resolutions, hissing the name of Cleveland and remaining silent on that of John G. Carlisle, he was having a glorious good time over in Europe drinking high wines at the banquet tables of the English.

Webster Davis has opened up headquarters at Kansas City and says he is in it for governor. Well he had just as well make a fool of himself again as the man that heads the ticket. The next governor of Missouri will be a 16 to 1 democrat and will open up permanent headquarters at Jefferson City for the next four years.

Representative Livingston, of Georgia, says: "I do not pretend to speak for any other state, but the democrats of Georgia do not know how to bolt the regular ticket, and we are not going to learn at the coming election. If we are outvoted in the convention we will return home and support the nominee, and we expect the other fellows to do likewise."

The populist convention Saturday was the slimmest gathering of the party on a similar occasion ever held in this city. One of the noticeable feature of the convention was the absence of the old leaders and advisors who have heretofore steered the rudder and put life into the party and brains into the convention proceedings. Of the old leaders only Atkinson and Judge Phillips were present. P. H. Holcomb, the new convert, was on the ground floor purely in his own behalf.

Judge Jas. B. Gantt, of the supreme court, is being importuned by democrats from all sections of the state to become a candidate for governor. He received a petition of 600 names from Kansas City. Judge Gantt is very popular in this county; has never failed to carry it in the past, and was twice honored in that respect over home candidates. He will make a strong candidate if he concludes to run, and would make a governor the state would be proud of.

Where was DeArmond when the house voted to over ride the president's veto of the river and harbor bill? We fail to find his name on the list of those who "sat on" the president. Thirty nine democrats voted to over ride the veto, and twenty six republicans voted to sustain the president.—Butler Free Press.

He was at the bedside of his dying brother, and you knew it, Atkeson. Such dirty contemptible slings at Judge DeArmond when he is out of his seat at tending the death and burial of his brother will certainly not be endorsed by the populist party of this county or the readers of the Free Press.

In the early spring the republicans were claiming, and it was generally conceded, that the nominee of the St. Louis convention would have the best show to be elected. Now that has all changed and to Chicago all eyes are turned for the next president. The democrats wisely met the all prevailing question before the American public and fought it out within party ranks, and there is now no uncertainty as to what policy the national democratic convention will adopt on the money question. On the other hand the republicans have been playing hide and seek with that question: but like Banquo's ghost it will not down at the bidding, but will be a horrible spectre at the St. Louis feast.

Henry county has a candidate for a state office on the democratic ticket in the person of W. C. Bronaugh, for railroad and warehouse commissioner, that she certainly will be proud to honor with her vote in the coming state convention. Mr. Bronaugh is one of the largest farmers and stock dealers in Henry county, is vice president of the ex confederate home for the sixth district, and no one who knows him will doubt for one minute his competency to fill the responsible position, his standing as a democrat or his integrity as a citizen. He has many warm friends in this county who will be glad to assist him in his political ambition.

William McKinley will be nominated at the national republican convention, which convenes in St. Louis next week. He is a one-idea man and owes his present popularity with his party to the prominence he took in preparing and passing the highest protective tariff measure ever adopted by any country and which bill assumed his name, and caused the defeat of his party by the biggest popular majority known to our national elections. It looks like flying in the face of fate and a flagrant disregard for the opinions of the voters of the country for the republican party to place this man at the head of its ticket. But the American people will pass on the man as they did on the measure.

ATKINSON'S DOCTRINE.

Not long since in a voting contest for the office of President among Populist Senator Allen of Nebraska was by a large majority the choice for nomination.

He made a speech in the United States Senate last Saturday that will eternally damn him in the estimation of all true populists. We had great confidence in the ability of Senator Allen; but since reading that speech in the congressional record we have no further use for him; and he may as well get into one of the old metal parties and be done with it. He evidently is no populist, and has not sense enough to declare the cardinal doctrine of the People's party in the United States senate, nor elsewhere. Nebraska Populists ought to demand his resignation; and if he refuses they should denounce him as an incompetent fraud.

Here is another argument against electing men to high office who do not know the greatest principle of the People's party. The man who believes paper money shall be redeemable in gold or silver either is simply a metalist, and no populist. A man who has not sense enough to know and courage enough to declare anywhere that the law only makes a dollar is not fit to represent populists anywhere. It is time to have our doctrine declared in its purity, strength and beauty.—Union.

So, So! Atkeson has at last thrown off the cloak and stands out squarely on the old greenback platform. He wants neither gold nor silver money. He wants an irredeemable paper, a fiat money; and he affirms that that is true populism.

There are very many true, conscientious and intelligent populists, who never did nor never will subscribe to any such doctrine. Who were led to sever their connection with the old parties and join the populists under a misapprehension of facts.

Surely no intelligent man believes that by it's ipse dixit a government can make money. If that were true why should any nation on earth be in debt. Why should any nation allow even its humblest citizen to go without money. Put the presses to work. Let money be ground out, new and crisp, by the billions. Pay off our national debt, fortify our coasts, improve our streams, increase our navy, pension every pauper, and make all the people roll in wealth; then continue to print until the treasury and all the sub-treasuries are packed to overflowing.

Of course this would be the first nation to conceive this brilliant scheme of enriching itself, and then they would all begin to print paper and call it money, and lo! suffering and privation would cease in the world. An ideal picture indeed. Does any sane man believe such a scheme practicable? Does any one believe something can be created out of nothing. The white paper has its commercial value, but after it is printed and called money without any power behind it to redeem it and make it worth a dollar, it would be worthless. Senator Allen is a statesman and scholar by the side of one who will advocate such a ruinous, such an idiotic, visionary scheme.

The anxiety of the trust to get Tom Reed to help McKinley out is the most amusing thing in the present campaign. Reed is just a little too shrewd for them, however, and he has no idea of being an under-officer on the rotten old hulk with which McKinley is preparing to navigate Salt river.—Kansas City Times.

Thos. H. Swope, a millionaire of Kansas City, has decided to that city for a park 1313 acres of land on the Blue river, four miles south east of the city limits. Its topography is said to be exceptionally fitted for a park and it is valued at about \$200,000.

The business men's league of St. Louis have made a demand on the hotels of the city that the negro delegates to the national republican convention be treated the same as the white delegates in the way of accommodations. That's right, there should be no discrimination in this convention against the negro, if he's good enough to be a delegate, then he should not be debarred from the table, or bed occupied by the white brother.

The prediction of Speaker Reed that this would be a do nothing congress has not been verified as the records show it to be one of the most rascally and prodigate on record. The appropriations made and to be made at the winter session will put it in the lead by many millions of Reed's billion dollar congress. If this was a do nothing congress deliver the country from again falling into the clutches of the republican party and a congress that would do something.

Mr. Cleveland vetoed the general deficiency appropriations bill on Saturday morning. One of the principal reasons for his action being the French spoliation claims, which has been before our congress for nearly one hundred years. Presidents Polk and Pierce each used his veto power on similar bills to this and their vetoes were sustained. The effort to pass the bill over Mr. Cleveland's veto was defeated by a vote of 149 to 40. A deficiency bill was then presented by chairman Cannon with the objectionable features pointed out by the President eliminated which passed the House 172 to 43.

The mayor informs us that the \$4,000 bonds issued by the city council about two years ago, are illegal. This discovery was made a few days ago when the council desired to take up the old bonds and issue renewals. It is said the bonds were based on the revenue of the city for the year they were issued and should have been paid. The money collected to liquidate them was used for other purposes, hence rendering the bonds illegal. The council is in a quandary as to what to do in the matter. The obligation is morally valid but barred legally. There should be some way of adjusting affairs and avoid a law suit.

My

Nerves are weak, many people say, and yet they do not seem to know that they are literally starving their nerves. Weak, pale, thin blood cannot give proper sustenance—that is why you are nervous, tired, exhausted. The cure for this condition is to purify, vitalize and enrich your blood. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla fairly and faithfully, and the rich, red blood, which it makes, will soon feed the nerves the elements of true strength they require; they will cease their agitation and will resume their proper place—being under the control instead of controlling the brain and body. Read Miss Bartley's letter:

"I want to express my gratitude for what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for me. My health has been very poor for three years, due to trouble with my

Kidneys

I was nervous, had pains in my back. I cannot tell what I suffered. My eyesight became affected and I was so despondent I did not have any interest in life. I had two physicians, but my complaints became worse. I was told that I was affected with Bright's disease. A relative urged me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I did so and in a short time I began to notice a change in my condition. Things began to appear brighter, my eyes improved and

My Back

did not trouble me so severely. My appetite returned and I gained strength every day. I am now able to do my own work, and feel perfectly well. I cannot find words to express my gratitude for what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for me and I gladly recommend it." MISS ELLA BARTLEY, 2334 S. Grant Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

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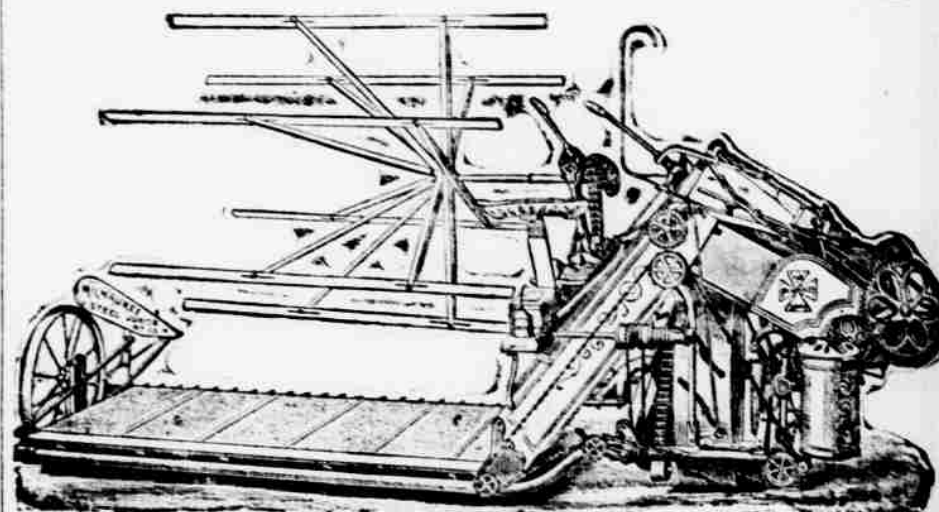
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SHOT A PRISON OFFICIAL.

An Ex-Convict Wrecks His Petty Spite on Officer Rayburn.

Jefferson City, Mo., June 5.—Yesterday F. G. Norville, a St. Charles county burglar, who had served a two years' sentence in the penitentiary, was released from that institution. He purchased an old shot gun at a shop in the southern part of the city and hid during the day. At 4:30 o'clock this morning, as Prison Officer Zera Rayburn was passing through his front yard gate to go to the prison, Norville fired a charge of heavy shot at him from across the street and instantly fled. Rayburn was struck by the charge in a number of places, ranging from the head to the abdomen. His wounds are dangerous, particularly the one in the abdomen, but are not deemed as necessarily fatal.

Sheriff Love and prison officers pursued Norville with bloodhounds and he was run down and captured without difficulty four miles east of the city some three hours after the shooting. Norville is possessed of a murderous disposition and he was led to commit the crime as a result of a small matter that occurred within the prison walls relating to an infraction of the rules. Officer Rayburn had charge of the dining hall and has a most excellent reputation as an efficient official and a man who was generally well liked.

A letter from Mrs. Rayburn to her uncle, Robt. Clark, of this city, states that her husband was wounded with bird shot and that the doctors do not think he is dangerously hurt. The would-be assassin was captured by R. J. Stark and a Mr. Burris, a short time after the shooting had taken place.

Eradicate the Daisy.

MR. EDITOR: It has been rather truthfully said that what is every body's business is no body's business; hence, I know it will not be likely that what I may say in this article will be heeded. I notice just west of the Creamery, in Adrian, growing what is called daisy. Years ago I was acquainted with this weed in Pennsylvania. It will be a virtual impossibility to eradicate it, once it gets widely spread over the country, which it will rapidly do. But if the experience with it of Bates county farmers is as was that of Pennsylvania farmers, it would pay the county handsomely to get rid of it at any reasonable cost. Having a small landed interest in Bates county I would willingly and gladly pay my proportionate share of a tax to exterminate it. It would have to be taken out root and branch, and any stray plants of it showing themselves thereafter should be fought to a finish. I should be very glad, indeed, to hear that the county authorities had been induced to treat this baneful pest as they would a public enemy.

I M. ABRAHAM
Harrisonville, Mo.

Relief For Audrain County.

Mexico, Mo., June 5.—The Audrain county court today appropriated only \$760 to the tornado sufferers. The judges took a four days' trip over the track of the storm. They gave those damaged according to what they had left, not according to what they lost. One of the judges said the damage was three times as much as that done by the storm of 1891. Vandalia was far the heaviest sufferer. The loss there is estimated to be between \$35,000 and \$50,000.

The way in which the Globe-Democrat scores Morrison for his silence on the currency question and praises McKinley for his taciturnity substantiates the general opinion that straddling is a virtue with the Republicans and a vice with the Democrats.—K. C. Times.

The Sedalia Capital says it will take exactly \$40 for a person to get into the St. Louis Convention. The best thing Republicans can do is to stay out of St. Louis. The town is full of dynamite, and it is a dangerous place to visit. If you go to Chicago it won't cost you half as much, and you can see more for your money.—Clinton Democrat.

Augusta, Me., June 2.—The body of the late Hon. James G. Blaine will be taken from Oak Hill Cemetery, Washington, and brought to this city. Mrs. Blaine has decided to have both bodies of her husband and her son, Walker, buried on Burnt Hill, here, and the removal will occur probably this month. Mrs. Blaine has purchased three acres on the front of the hill for the purpose. If Col. Coppinger is willing the remains of his wife, daughter of Mrs. Blaine, will also be brought here.

Wat Reed Gives Bond.

Jefferson City, Mo., June 5.—Division No. 2 of the Supreme court this morning approved the bond of Watson Reed of Clinton county, who is under a ninety nine years' sentence in the penitentiary for killing Newt Winn in Platte City, while a civil suit was being tried in the Circuit court. An appeal in the case has been taken to the Supreme court. The bond approved to-day is for \$22,500. It represents \$85,000 of unincumbered real estate and is the largest bond ever filed in the court. It was presented by Mr. E. C. Hall of Platteburg.



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one should have the best and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.